Yukon Film & Sound Incentive Program Annual Report

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Yukon

Economic Development
Film & Sound Commission

Minister's Message

I am pleased to introduce the 2011-2012 Yukon Film & Sound Incentive Programs Annual Report.

The goals of the Yukon Film & Sound Incentive Programs are to increase the level of film and sound recording production in Yukon, to maximize Yukon employment opportunities in the film and sound industries, as well as assisting in the development of the professional careers in these two industry sectors.

During the 2011-2012 fiscal year, $364,697.20 in funding was approved under the programs to support a variety of film and sound projects. Since the inception of the Department of Economic Development in 2003, over $5.03 million was awarded to 276 film and sound related projects and initiatives.

These programs support local, national and international film productions that provide film industry jobs in Yukon and give Yukoners opportunities to gain knowledge, skills and experience. Yukon's music industry members are also provided with support for sound recording projects that further their career development in the industry.

Through the Yukon Film Training Initiative, training opportunities are made available that foster career development for script writers, producers, directors and film crew. The financial support for this training complements the mandates and initiatives of local film industry organizations.

Yukon continues to prove itself as a premier film location, with a number of diverse productions choosing the territory as a backdrop for their film projects. And our music industry continues to grow and enjoy successful concerts and tours throughout Canada and around the world.

Yukon government is pleased to continue to support these programs and provide opportunities for career and industry growth while enhancing economic diversification throughout Yukon.

I recognize and applaud the outstanding achievements of our Yukon musicians, filmmakers, professional crew and technicians.

Sincerely,

Currie Dixon
Economic Development Minister

Yukon Film Location Incentive

Total Approved Amounts 2011/12
$53,063.70

The Film Location Incentive encourages production companies from outside Yukon to film in Yukon and hire and train Yukoners. There are three components to this incentive program.

Yukon Spend Rebate *- Television programs, television movies (Movies of the Week), documentaries and feature films (but not commercials) are eligible for a rebate of up to 25 per cent of below-the-line Yukon spend, provided criteria are met.*

Training Rebate *- Productions (not commercials) are eligible for a rebate of up to 25 per cent of wages paid to individuals providing on-set training (techniques and equipment) for eligible Yukon labour.*

Travel Rebate *Productions (including commercials) are eligible for a 50 per cent rebate on travel costs, subject to a percentage and dollar maximum, depending on the production type.*

Name of Applicant	Project Information	Approved Amount	Project Status
National Film Board Of Canada	Des Coeurs en Or	$8,609.70	Completed
Shaftesbury Murdoch V Inc.	Murdoch Mysteries - Season 5 Opening	$44,454.00	Completed

Yukon Film Development Fund

Total Approved Amounts 2011/12
$35,000.00

Under the Film Development Fund, up to 50 per cent of actual Yukon expenditures to a maximum of $35,000, or 33 per cent of total project expenses, whichever is the lesser, is available to Yukon residents or Yukon corporations to assist with the cost of development of film projects in Yukon. The applicant is required to have marketplace support in the form of a broadcast development agreement or a distribution arrangement.

An additional $10,000 is available to an applicant if the broadcaster/distributor requires more senior personnel, not available in Yukon, to be attached to the project.

Name of Applicant	Project Information	Approved Amount	Project status
Mackenzie Delta Films Inc	Paper Injun	$35,000.00	Completed

Yukon Film Production Fund

Total Approved Amounts 2011/12
$24,668.00

Under the Film Production Fund, up to $500,000/project is available to Yukon corporations with significant financial and creative control over a film project, to assist with the costs of producing the film in Yukon. The applicant is required to have marketplace support in the form of a broadcast license or a distribution arrangement. Requests for amounts over the maximum of $500,000 are subject to Management Board approval.

For productions solely controlled by a Yukon resident or corporation, the contributions will be based on 30 per cent of Yukon expenditures, or 30 per cent of total production costs (whichever is the lesser).

For co-productions, the contribution will be based on 30 per cent of Yukon expenditures, or 20 per cent of total production costs (whichever is the lesser).

Name of Applicant	Project Information	Approved Amount	Project status
Cold Paradise Productions Inc.	Cold Paradise	$24,668.00	In production

Yukon Film Training Initiative

Total Approved Amounts 2011/12
$162,923.00

Under the Film Training Initiative, up to $3,000/person/year is available to Yukon residents for training for a career in the film industry. Applicants must have demonstrated a commitment to a career in this field (such as significant recent course work and/or work experience). Yukon film industry organizations are also eligible for funding to support local film workshops.

Name of Applicant	Project Information	Approved Amount	Project status
Dawson City Art Society	2011 Dawson City Interntional Short Film Festival (DCISFF) Training & Workshops	$12,433.00	Completed
Northern Film And Video Industry Association	Gold Rush Productions - Film Crew Training Project	$85,000.00	Completed
Mcbride, Celia	Women in the Director's Chair 2011/12	$3,000.00	Completed
Yukon Film Society	YFS Filmmaking Intensive Workshop with NFB	$20,000.00	Completed
Mark, Naomi	Langara College Film Arts Program	$3,000.00	Withdrawn
Moeller, Jacob	Humber College Post Production	$3,000.00	In progress
Yukon Film Society	Available Light Film Festival Industry Forum 2012	$27,000.00	Completed
Klondike Institute Of Arts & Culture	DCISFF Workshops 2012	$9,490.00	Completed

Yukon Filmmakers Fund

Total Approved Amounts 2011/12
$46,135.00

Under the Filmmakers Fund, up to $8,000/applicant is available to Yukon resident film and video professionals to assist them in developing viable careers in the film industry. There are two intakes per year: June 1 and December 1.

Name of Applicant	Project Name	Approved Amount	Project Status
Nanuht'ee Productions	Going Polynesian	$3,000.00	In Progress
Red Snapper Films Limited	Her Sorry Story	$7,000.00	In Progress
Sauer, Moira	The Provider And The Gift	$3,000.00	In Progress
Self-Inflicted Entertainment Inc	The Sun At Midnight	$7,000.00	In Progress
Sharp, Andrew	Harpies	$4,000.00	In Progress
Corkal, Vanessa	Waltz No. 2	$3,000.00	In Progress
Mcbride, Celia	Last Stop For Miles	$6,635.00	Completed
Low Life Films	Syndicate Of Snow	$5,000.00	Completed
Crocker, Susan	Winter In The Bush	$3,500.00	In Progress
Hamelin, David	Fragments	$4,000.00	Completed

Total number of applications 2011/12: 15

Yukon Sound Recording Program

Total Approved Amounts 2011/12
$42,907.50

The Yukon Sound Recording Program supports Yukon sound recording industry by providing financial assistance for demo and full length sound recording projects. There are two intakes per year: May 1 and November 1.

There are two components to the Sound Recording Program:

- *Professional Demo Recording of up to $2,000 for producing a CD with a minimum of two tracks or five minutes.*
- *Professional Sound Recording of up to $5,000 for producing a CD with a minimum of six tracks or 20 minutes.*

Name of Applicant	Project Name	Approved Amount	Project Status
Gordie Tentrees O/A Buckaroo Music	Gypsy Wind	$5,000.00	Completed
Horrocks, Fred	I Ain't Got Nobody	$2,000.00	Withdrew Application
Fritzen, Fawn	Cry Me A River	$2,000.00	Completed
Waldman, Jude	Golden Days	$2,000.00	In Progress
Haddock, David	Goin' Back To Church	$5,000.00	In Progress
Northern Town Films Inc	Working Dogs	$5,000.00	In Progress
Ben Mahony O/A Ben Mahony Productions	Leisure And Gold	$2,000.00	In Progress
Kim Beggs O/A Paperbag Productions	Runnin' From The River	$2,000.00	Completed
Katerenchuk, Brenda Lee	There Goes My Heart	$5,000.00	In Progress
Odonovan, Declan	Cheap Souvenir	$5,000.00	Completed
Ross, Lisa	Time To Dance	$1,907.50	In Progress
Ness, Claire	Stampedes Of Water	$2,000.00	In Progress
Mcnally, Ryan	Bluebell Sound	$2,000.00	Completed
Cormier, Guy	Y En A	$2,000.00	In Progress

Total number of applications 2011/12: 25 applications

Statistical Summary

	2011/12
Yukon Film Location Incentive	$53,063.70
Development Fund	$35,000.00
Production Fund	$24,668.00
Yukon Film Training Initiative	$162,923.00
Yukon Filmmakers Fund	$46,135.00
Yukon Sound Recording Program	$42,907.50
Total Film & Sound Incentive Funds Approved 11/12	$364,697.20